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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: House Appropriations CIA Subcommittee

Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that it is his present understanding from several conversations with the Chairman that there will be little change in the handling of purely Agency affairs before the Committee during the coming session. Since the Chairman has not acknowledged a formal Subcommittee in the past and has no intention of advertising it in the coming session, the present membership (which the Chairman considers classified) will probably remain unchanged. Although this may be a bending of the spirit of the Democratic caucus rule on chairmanship of Subcommittees, Chairman Mahon is apparently willing to face that question when it arises.

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